के सम्बन्ध में उन अनुदेशों का पालन करता है, जो समय-समय पर राजभाषा विभाग द्वारा जारी किये जाते हैं ।

(ख) सम्बन्धित मंत्रालयों द्वारा निर्मित स्कीमों के आधार पर योजना-राशियां आवंटित की जाती हैं ।

(ग) और (घ) योजना मंत्रालय में हिन्दी भाषी राज्यों के लोगों से हिन्दी में प्राप्त होने वाले पत्रों पर कार्रवाई करने के लिए पर्याप्त व्यवस्था है ।

Proposals from Electronic Component Industries Association

3102. DR. R. K. PODDAR:
SHRI MOSTAFA BIN QUASEM:

Will the PRIME MINISTER be pleased to state:

(a) whether it is a fact that the Electronic Component Industries Association has put forward some proposals to Government; and

(b) if so, what are the details thereof?

THE MINISTER OF STATE IN THE MINISTRY OF SCIENCE AND TECHNOLOGY AND THE MINISTER OF STATE IN THE DEPARTMENTS OF OCEAN DEVELOPMENT, ATOMIC ENERGY, ELECTRONICS, AND SPACE (SHRI K. K. NARAYANAN): (a) and (b) Proposals are received from time to time from Electronic Component Industries Association (ELCINA) in respect of various aspects related with policy and procedures. Recently, they have given their detailed reaction to the budget announcements concerning electronic components industry. These include (i) simplifications of excise procedures by accepting computerised records in the prescribed format for excise purpose, (ii) postponement of excise levy on components by a minimum period of four months to give suffcient time for procedural matters to be sorted out, (iii) permission to issue excise Gate Passes to distributors and dealers to avoid cost of components going up for the small scale and tiny sector, (v) withdrawal of excise exemption on metallised polypropylene polyster film; (v) concessional duty to be given to colour picture tube parts and (iv) duty of 30 per cent to be levied on capital equipment required for balancing and modernisation of component industry?

Proposal from European Manufacturers of electronic goods

3103. SHRI NIRMAL CHATTERJEE:

SHRI K. MOHANAN:

Will the PRIME MINISTER be pleased to state:

(a) whether it is a fact that European manufacturers are interested in shifting their production facilities for electronic goods in India;

(b) if so, what are the details thereof; and

(c) whether any concrete proposal has been received by the Government in this regard?

THE MINISTER OF STATE IN THE MINISTRY OF SCIENCE AND TECHNOLOGY AND THE MINISTER OF STATE IN THE DEPARTMENTS OF OCEAN DEVELOPMENT, ATOMIC ENERGY, ELECTRONICS AND SPACE (SHRI K. R. NARAYANAN): (a) No specific proposal has been received from European Manufacturers for shifting their production facilities for electronic goods to India.

(b) and (c) Do not arise.

Uniform code for adoption of children in India

3104. SHRI SURENDRA SINGH THAKUR: Will the Minister of LAW AND JUSTICE be pleased to state:

(a) whether any uniform adoption code is under consideration of Government to regulate adoption of children and to plug the loopholes in the relevant statutory Acts/Codes relating to adoption of a child;

(b) if so, what are the details thereof; and

(c) if the reply to part (a) above be in negative, in what manner Government propose to protect the rights of adopted child in the country of their adoptee parents within the existing laws?

THE MINISTER OF STATE IN THE MINISTRY OF LAW AND JUSTICE (SHRI HANS RAJ BHARDWAJ): (a) No, Sir.

(b) Does not arise.

(c) There is no statutory enactment in India providing for adoption of a child by foreign parents for laying down the procedure which must be followed in such a case. Resort is therefore taken to the provisions of the Guardians and Wards Act, 1890 for the purposes of facilitating such adoption. The Supreme Court in Laxmi Kant Pandey's case (A.I.R. 1984 S.C. 469) has, after taking into consideration this situation, laid down the normative and procedural safeguards which *inter-alia* provides for adoption of children only through recognised voluntary agencies in India and abroad. In enlisting these agencies, the Government is guided by the recommendations of the State Governments and our diplomatic missions in the foreign countries in the *bonafides* of these agencies. Thus sufficient safeguards are available to protect the rights of the adopted child in the country of their adoptee parents.

Conference of Passport Officers

3105. SHRI S. S. AHLUWALIA: Will the Minister of EXTERNAL AFFAIRS be pleased to state:

(a) whether any Conference of Passport Officers was held in Delhi during the month of January, 1988;

(b) what were the recommendations made thereat especially regarding making easy particularly the procedure of procurement of a passport by general public;

(c) whether the recommendations were sent to Government for necessary action thereon; if so, when;

(d) what was the decision taken by Government on each of the recommendations made at the Conference; and

(e) by when these recommendations are likely to be implemented and steps Government propose to take in this regard?

THE MINISTER OF STATE IN THE MINISTRY OF EXTERNAL AFFAIRS (SHRI K. NATWAR SINGH): (a) Yes, Sir. The All India Passport Officers' Conference was held in Delhi from 14 to 16 January, 1988.

(b) The main recommendations of the Conference with regard to simplifying the procedure were as under:

(1) Computerisation would be speeded up in 10 more Passport Offices;

(2) Facilitation counters would be provided in all Passport Offices to help applicants;

(3) The passport application form would be simplified;

(4) Prompt supply of application forms to genuine applicants would be ensured at counters and by post;

(5) Distribution of such forms through Post Offices;

(6) Applications would be checked for complete entries and supporting documents at the time of their receipt in order to avoid subsequent correspondence and delays;

(c) Yes, Sir. The recommendations of the Conference were sent to the Government on 12-2-88.

(d) (1) Reminders to be sent by Passport Officers to concerned verifying authorities in cases of delay beyond six weeks;

(2) Cases of delay beyond three months to be taken up with concerned State Governments through this Ministry and the Ministry of Home Affairs;